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WHAT IS MUNI'S BIKE PROGRAM?

Muni has started an 18-month-long pilot project, funded by the Bay Area Quality Management District's Transportation Fund for Clean Air, to test bike racks on Muni buses. Racks that hold two bicycles at a time have been installed on the 45 smaller buses that serve passengers on community service (neighborhood) lines, many of which have steep hills.

WHICH LINES HAVE BIKE RACKS?

Starting on May 20, 1997, Bike to Work Day, bicyclists may load their bikes onto the racks on the following nine Bikes-on-Muni pilot lines:

17 Parkmerced	53 Southern
35 Eureka	Heights
36 Teresita	56 Rutland
37 Corbett	66 Quintara
39 Coit	91 Owl (1-5 a.m.)

The 76 Marin Headlands, which operates on Sundays only, also has with bike racks, but is not part of the pilot project. The Bikes-on-Muni pilot project is confined to the above nine lines, although you may see bike racks from time to time on other lines.

HOW DO THE BIKE RACKS WORK?

The bike racks are installed on the front of the bus and can hold two bikes at a time. When not in use, the

racks are folded up. To use the rack, the bicyclist folds the rack down and loads the bike. Each bike can be loaded and unloaded independently. Bike wheels fit into marked slots on the rack. A support arm is then secured over the front tire to hold the bike in place.

RULES AND PROCEDURES

- Bikes carried on Muni bike racks are the responsibility of the bike owner. Muni assumes no responsibility for lost, stolen or damaged bikes.
- Bikes are accepted at all hours of operation on the designated lines.
- There is no extra charge for carrying bikes and no permit is necessary. Simply pay the normal Muni fare.
- Bicyclists must load and unload the bikes themselves. Operators may not leave the bus to assist bicyclists.
- Bike-rack use is first-come, first-served. You must wait for the next bike-rack-equipped bus if there are already two bikes in the rack.
- Children 14 and under using the bike-rack must be accompanied by an adult.
- All bikes with a wheel size of 16 inches or larger fit into the bike-racks.
- Bikes are permitted on the bike racks only. No bikes are allowed inside buses.

LOADING YOUR BIKE

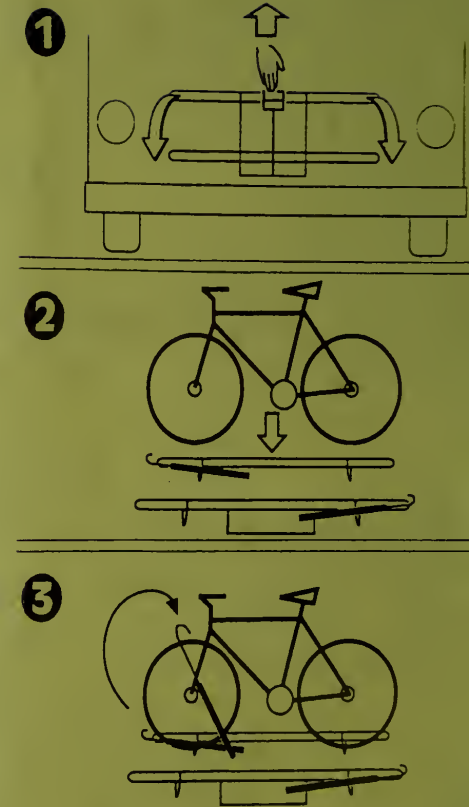
- Remove all loose items such as water bottles, pumps etc., before loading
- Make sure the bus driver sees you before you load your bike.
- Always load your bike from the curb side, never the traffic side of the bus.
- Squeeze the release handle to fold down the rack if it is not already down.
- Lift your bike onto the rack fitting the wheels into the marked slots.
- If the rack is empty, use the outside slots – farthest from the bus.
- Raise the support arm over the front tire so that the hook rests on the highest point of the front wheel.

DO NOT LOCK YOUR BIKE ONTO THE RACK.

- Board the bus and sit or stand near the front, behind the yellow line to keep your eye on your bike.
- Always yield front seats to the disabled and elderly and do not impede movement of passengers.

UNLOADING YOUR BIKE

- DON'T FORGET YOUR BIKE. MAKE SURE THE BIKE YOU TAKE IS YOURS.
- Inform the bus driver you will be unloading your bike as the bus approaches your stop.
- Use the front door to exit the bus.
- Unload your bike from the curb side of the bus.
- Raise the support arm and fold it down. Lift your bike out of the rack. If the rack is now empty, fold the rack



- up into the locked position.
- Step away from the bus to the curb with your bike.
- Wait until the bus pulls away to proceed.

CAUTION! LOADING OR UNLOADING A BIKE FROM THE STREET SIDE MAY CAUSE INJURY OR DEATH!



BIKES ON MUNI PILOT PROJECT MAP

Use this map to plan your trip on Muni's bike-rack-equipped services. Daytime lines are shown with solid lines, and Muni's night-time "Owl" line 91 has a dashed line. The 91 Owl runs every night between about 1 a.m. and about 5 a.m., making an almost complete circuit of the city.

WILL MUNI EXPAND THE BIKE-RACK PROGRAM?

During the pilot project, Muni will gather information from bicyclists, Muni operators, passengers and the Muni Scheduling Department to determine whether Bikes on Muni should be expanded to other lines.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Muni Information
• (415) 673-MUNI

Complaints and Commendations
• (415) 923-6164

Lost and Found
• (415) 923-6168

Department of Parking and Traffic
• (415) 585-BIKE

San Francisco Bicycle Coalition
• (415) 431-BIKE

